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STATEMENT OF ATTORNEY GENERAL ALBERTO R. GONZALES ON THE AL-MOAYAD AND ZAYED CONVICTIONS

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Attorney General Alberto R. Gonzales today issued the following statement on the convictions by a federal jury in Brooklyn, New York, of Mohammed Al Hasan Al-Moayad and Mohammed Mohsen Yahya Zayed on charges of conspiring to provide material support to the al Qaeda and Hamas terrorist groups:

"Today's convictions mark another important step in our war on terrorism. Those who conspire to support and finance the terrorist actions of al Qaeda and other enemies will be found and they will face justice. I thank the hardworking prosecutors and investigators who traveled the globe to bring these defendants to justice, and the jury for its careful consideration of the evidence in this case. This conviction was made possible by the valuable assistance of the German government, which arrested the defendants in Germany and then extradited them to the United States. Germany remains a key and powerful ally in the international fight against terrorist organizations."

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